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For: MULTIPLE LUMEN CATHETER)
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APPENDIX B TO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT:
Detail of Amendment to the Abstract as Originally Filed

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Sir:

Kindly amend the abstract of the above-captioned continuation application as originally filed
as indicated below:

Page 34, line 1, delete the underlining in the heading and delete "OF THE INVENTION" to
produce the following:

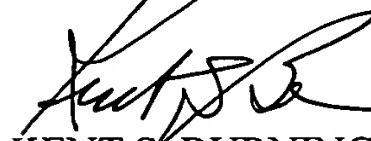
ABSTRACT

Amend the text of the Abstract as follows:

C [The invention provides a] A cylindrical elongate body having [extending from a] proximal and [to a] distal ends and enclosing [end, the body defining] two similar longitudinally extending lumens separated by a septum and a further lumen [defined] within the septum. [, a] A convergently tapered tip extending from the distal end of the body defines [defining a] part of the [said] further lumen that extends distally beyond the longitudinally extending lumens, while a connector at the [said] proximal end of the body couples plural access [,] tubes [coupled to the connector and] in fluid communication [through the connector one] with [each of the] respective individual of the lumens. [, the body defining openings] Openings providing access [one] to each of the longitudinally extending lumens are [, said openings being] spaced from one another longitudinally along [of] the body. [and said further lumen extending longitudinally beyond said longitudinally extending lumens and through the tip, the] The further lumen terminates [terminating] at an opening at the distal end of the tip. [and the tip being convergently tapered as it extends longitudinally from said body and the] The longitudinally extending lumens are [being] blocked immediately [adjacent and] distally of the [said] openings.

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